

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1 and 8 are amended for clarity. No new matter is added by this Amendment.

The courtesies extended to Applicants represented by Examiner Spooner during the telephone interviews on December 19, 2005 and January 3, 2006 are gratefully appreciated. The reasons presented at the interviews as warranting favorable action are incorporated into the remarks below and constitute Applicants' record of the interview.

Entry of the amendments is proper under 37 CFR §1.116 since the amendments: (a) place the application in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein; (b) do not raise any new issue requiring further search and/or consideration as the claims are merely amended for clarity; (c) satisfy a requirement of form asserted in the previous Office Action; (d) do not present any additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims; and (e) place the application in better form for appeal, should an appeal be necessary. The amendments are necessary and were not earlier presented because e.g. they are made in response to arguments raised in the final rejection and during the telephone interviews with the Examiner. Entry of the amendments is thus respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, because claims 1 and 8 allegedly contain information that is not sufficiently described in the specification. In particular, the Office Action asserts that the "how much the part of speed of a first constituent modifies the part of speech of a second constituent" is not taught in the specification. The Office Action states that claims 2-7 and 9-14, are rejected only because they depend from claims 1 and 8, respectively. The rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claims 1 and 8 are each amended to recite, determines or determining the informativity of the constituents of the at least one phrase based on how much the part of speech of a first

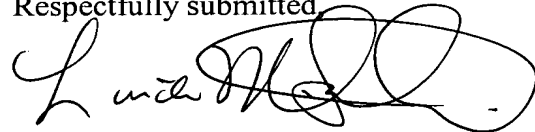
constituent of the at least one phrase modifies the part of speech of a second constituent of the at least one phrase, as suggested by the Examiner during the January 3 telephone interview.

As acknowledged by the Examiner during the January 3 telephone interview, the amendments to claims 1 and 8 overcome the rejection of claims 1 and 8, as well as the claims depending therefrom.

In view of the foregoing, and as acknowledged by the Examiner during the January 3, 2006 telephone interview, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the pending claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted



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